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Re: Docket No. W-02518A-13-0414 Q Mountain Mobile Home Park,
DBA Q Mountain Vista Water, Rate Application, Supplemental Comments
Regarding Town of Quartzsite Proposed Water Rates for Fiscal Year 2014-2015

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Dear Sirs,

Q Mountain Mobile Home Park, DBA Q Mountain Vista Water, respectfully submits the enclosed Memo from Town of Quartzsite Manager, Laura Bruno, dated April 21, 2014, regarding Fiscal Year 2014-2015 proposed Town water rate increases and supplemental comments regarding the impact of this proposal to Company's operating expenses.

The Town of Quartzsite is proceeding with Council meetings and public hearings to adopt the proposed water rate increases by September or October 2014. This recommendation has been in process for the last two years and will replace Resolution No. 10-01 signed into effect January 26, 2010. The Town is proposing to increase the monthly base rate for a 6" meter from \$843.23 to \$1,047.29. The Town is also proposing to increase the commodity rate from \$2.37 per thousand gallons of usage to \$4.48 per thousand gallons for the first 15,000 gallons and from \$2.37 to \$5.43 per thousand gallons for usage above 15,000 gallons. This Town recommendation is significantly greater than indicated in the previous eighteen months of discussions with Town staff regarding anticipated increases of cost of water purchased.

The Rate Application was submitted in November, 2013 with the best information available regarding purchased water costs anticipated when our five year water purchase agreement ends September 1, 2014. The enclosed Memo stating Town of Quartzsite's recommendation of water rates for fiscal year 2014-2015 is now the best information available. Q Mountain HOA Water respectfully requests the Staff analysis of the impact of these proposed water rates to be included in the extension of time granted by Procedural Order dated April 18, 2014 for Staff comments and recommendations.

Thank you for your consideration of this submission,

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Greenstreet, Treasurer for the HOA 2014 Board of Directors

Subject: Recommended Water Rate Changes – Q Mountain
From: Laura Bruno (lbruno@ci.quartzsite.az.us)
To: cacece700@yahoo.com;
Date: Monday, April 21, 2014 9:42 AM

Cheryl,

We have received the following recommendations for the Town's water rates for the upcoming fiscal year. The earliest we anticipate the rates might be effective is September or October 1, 2014. The new rates place residential, commercial and RV parks all on the same billing basis. For a 6" meter, which Q-Mountain is on, the proposed rates would be:

Base Monthly Rate: \$1,047.29

Commodity, first 15,000 gallons: \$4.48 per gallon

Commodity, over 15,000 gallons: \$5.43 per gallon

These are the recommended rates. We will be moving through the workshop and public hearing process over the next few months.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

Thank you,

Laura A. Bruno

Town Manager

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